

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) seeks written and oral comments from interested persons on the draft stressor identification analysis in support of the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) for Accotink Creek and Long Branch in the Accotink Creek watershed in Fairfax County. These streams are listed on the 2012 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report as impaired due to violations of the State's water quality standards for the aquatic life use due to poor health of the benthic macroinvertebrate communities.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the State Water Control Law require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) TMDL Priority List and Report.

Stream Name	Location	Impairment	Length (miles)	Upstream Limit	Downstream Limit
Accotink Creek	Fairfax County	Aquatic Life Use Benthic Macroinvertebrates	9.92	Lake Accotink	Tidal waters of Accotink Bay
Accotink Creek	City of Fairfax Fairfax County	Aquatic Life Use Benthic Macroinvertebrates	6.2	Headwaters of Accotink Creek	Lake Accotink
Long Branch	Fairfax County	Aquatic Life Use Benthic Macroinvertebrates	2.24	Unnamed tributary at the Route 651 bridge	Accotink Creek

The second public meeting will focus on the results of the draft stressor identification analysis, which identifies the stressors to the benthic communities in the Accotink Creek watershed. The meeting will be held on:

Monday, July 6, 2015 6:30 pm  
Kings Park Library - Meeting Room  
9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015-1683

In case of inclement weather, the alternate meeting date is:

Wednesday, July 22, 2015 6:30 pm  
Kings Park Library - Meeting Room  
9000 Burke Lake Road, Burke, VA 22015-1683

The public comment period will begin on July 6, 2015 and end on Wednesday, August 5, 2015.

A component of a TMDL is the Waste Load Allocations (WLAs); therefore, this notice is provided pursuant to §2.2-4006.A.14 of the Administrative Process Act for any future adoption of the TMDL's associated WLAs.

Information on the development of the TMDLs for the impairments is available upon request. Questions or information requests should be addressed to the DEQ contact person listed below. Please note, all written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to:

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